

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

### Dream Gardens.

She said she would build her House of Dreams where the autumn fields begin To stretch away from these singing seas If her ship should ever come in— She would plant 'neath its sapphire towers a garden aglow in the radiant air A red rose Garden for loving and a white rose Garden for prayer.

And the house would be so sacred she would call it the House of Peace: For the music that faith alone can make In its chambers should not cease, And the sweetest winds would blow through them fraught with the fragrance rare.

Of a red rose Garden for loving and a white rose Garden for prayer.

Here in the waste of the world that houses our hearts can never win, But over the idea that never saw a returning sail drift in—

Dear old, have you found the House of Peace and the roses blooming there In a red rose Garden for loving and a white rose Garden for prayer?

I never may reach the mystic shore where your radiant palace gleams, But many a night by the moonlight I have dreamed in my dream—

How gently a Heavenly Bridegroom's hands are laid on the golden hair Where a red rose Garden for loving leads to a white rose Garden for prayer.

### MARCH WEDDINGS.

#### Cox—Hall.

The wedding of Miss Harriet Howell Hall, daughter of Captain and Mrs. James W. Hall, to Mr. Joseph Edward Cox, son of the late Marcellus Edward Cox and Sarah Carter Cox, of Ashland, Va., was celebrated last evening at 6:30 o'clock in the Third Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. R. B. Egleston officiating. Church decorations were in ferns and glass chandeliers. Miss Helen Matilda Hall, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and Mr. Frank Hallowell Cox, the groom's brother, was best man. The bridesmaids were: Mr. J. W. Hall, Jr., of New York; Dr. Julian T. Wright, Mr. Archibald Pleasant, Mr. James M. Cox, Mr. Stonewall J. Deswell and Mr. Leslie Ellis.

The bride entered with her father, Captain J. W. Hall. She was beautifully gowned in white crepe de chine, trimmed with duchesse lace, and carried a shower of lilies of the valley. Her veil was caught with a sapphire crescent.

The maid of honor wore violet crepe de chine and a violet hat. Her flowers were violets. An ante-nuptial reception was given the bridal party and immediate families of the contracting parties Monday evening, in the home of the parents. House decorations were in palms and pink carnations. The display of wedding gifts showed many beautiful and useful remembrances from friends. Out-of-town guests to attend the wedding were: Mrs. Charles Lawrence, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. J. W. Hall, Jr., of New York; Mr. James H. Carr, of Newark; Mrs. James Cunningham Hamann, of Danville; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Nowlin, of Lynchburg; Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Mrs. S. B. Davis, of Gettysburg, of Burkeville, and Mr. C. C. Cox, of Fredericksburg, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox are now on their way to Florida and Cuba, where their honeymoon will be spent.

#### Alumnae at Home.

At the "at home" given by the Woman's College Alumnae Association Saturday afternoon, in honor of the graduating class, the following young ladies formed the serving committee: Miss Elizabeth Williamson, Mary Taylor, Edith McCarty, Madge Montgomery, Emma Clarke and Gertrude Clarke.

Those receiving were Mrs. W. W. Davis, Mrs. George Epps, Miss Rosa Smith and Mrs. Sallie Harris. Miss Clara and Lily Becker were not among those who received.

#### Illustrated Lecture.

Admiral Harrie Webster will give an illustrated stereoscopic lecture on the Russo-Japanese war at the Richmond Art Club, No. 217 West Grace Street, on Thursday evening, March 22d, at 8:30 o'clock. Every club member will have the privilege of bringing a guest.

#### Dinner Guests.

Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Dudley, of Norfolk; Dr. J. B. Hutton and others, were guests at a dinner given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hankins, No. 56 West Cary Street. The time was spent in pleasant social intercourse and in listening to vocal and piano music delightfully rendered by Dr. and Mrs. Dudley.

#### Committee to Meet.

Mrs. Charles M. Ferrall, general chairman of the Presbyterian booth of the Floral Carnival, asks that all her committee and any other ladies interested in the Presbyterian work for the carnival will meet her at 11 A. M. Thursday, March 22d, in the assembly hall of the Woman's Christian Association. Important business will be transacted.

#### Atlanta Coaching Party.

The Atlanta Coaching of Thursday, March 15th, has the following pleasant mention of two popular members of Richmond society. The Constitution says: Colonel Robert J. Lowry gave a coach-

## Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Elliot Norton.

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### TRUE NOBLENES

By JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

This sonnet is another of those helpful compositions which the poet of moral feeling can invent to stimulate the sluggish soul of the cynic. It was written in the first period of Lowell's poetic activity. Other selections from Lowell, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch have already been printed in this series.

"FOR this true nobleness I seek in vain, In woman and in man I find it not; I'm weary of my earthly lot, My life's springs are dried up with burning pain." Thou find'st it not? I pray thee look again, Look inward through the depths of thine own soul. How is it with thee? Art thou sound and whole? Doth narrow search show thee no earthly stain? Be NOBLE! and the nobleness that lies In other men, sleeping, but never dead, Will rise in majesty to meet thine own; Then wilt thou see it gleam in many eyes, Then wilt thou find around thy path be shed, And thou wilt never more be sad and lone.

This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, Oct. 11, 1903. One is published each day.

ing party yesterday afternoon for Miss Ross and Miss Branch, of Richmond, and a delightful drive was followed by a tempting luncheon on the terrace of the Piedmont Driving Club.

Miss Ross and Miss Branch are two attractive visitors, who have been elaborately entertained during their brief stay. They were accompanied by their father, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Paine, Mr. Charles Crankshaw, Mr. R. L. Cooney and Mr. W. E. Christian.

Japanese Silver Tea.

A Japanese silver tea will be given in the home of Miss Imogen Fitzgerald, No. 14 South Third Street, Friday evening, March 23d, from eight to ten o'clock.

A great attraction will be a native Japanese in costume. The evening will be further enlivened by recitations and music. Kipponas and candles are among the articles for sale. Souvenirs will be distributed free of cost.

#### Mr. Winfree Improves.

Mr. Ashton Winfree, the sixteen-year-old son of Mr. R. W. Winfree, of Drewry's Bluff, who has been ill for the past three weeks with typhoid fever, is reported by Dr. Ragland and Dr. Mosley as convalescent. Mr. Winfree is a student at McGuire's school, and is universally popular with his classmates who rejoice with his many friends and relatives over his improved condition.

#### Commonwealth Chapter.

The members of Commonwealth Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, met Tuesday, March 20th, at noon, in the home of Mrs. C. W. P. Brock, with the regent, Mrs. Purcell, presiding.

The principal business of the meeting was the appropriation to be made by the chapter for the Virginia column in Continental Hall. It was decided to send two hundred dollars to the Congress of Daughters, April 18th, in Washington, D. C. The chapter will be represented then by the regent, Mrs. Purcell, and by Miss Roberta Allen, who is already in Washington. Chapter alternates are Mrs. D. T. Williams and Miss Madge Freedley.

#### Announcements.

The Newport News Daily Press of March 20th contains the following interesting announcement:

#### Levy—Reynor.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reynor, of this city, have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter, Miss Celia, to Mr. Harry Levy, of Norfolk.

The ceremony will be performed at 6 o'clock on the evening of April 3d at synagogue Adath Jeshurun. After the wedding the parents of the bride will give a reception to the bride party and a number of intimate friends at the Casino.

Miss Reynor will be attended by her sister, Miss Bessie, Reynor, and Miss Rebecca Hefield, of this city, and Misses Mary and Rebecca Levy, of Norfolk. The groomsmen will be Mr. Harry Reynor, of this city; Mr. J. M. Reuse, of New York, and Messrs. M. G. Nusbaum and M. Poter, of Norfolk.

The bride-to-be has lived here since early childhood and is popular among a host of friends. Mr. Levy is a well known young business man of Norfolk.

#### A June Wedding.

The Press, in referring to the announcement of the engagement of Miss Katherine Dimmitt Fox to Lieutenant William H. Peek, Artillery Corps, U. S. A., says:

The marriage, which will be an event of much interest to Hampton and New

Richmond society, will occur early in June.

Lieutenant Peek is the son of Mrs. Sallie H. Peek and the late Judge Peek, who for many years presided over the Circuit Court of Elizabeth City county. Lieutenant Peek was appointed to the artillery branch of the army from Hampton and has since been stationed in Florida and New York. He is the brother of Mrs. Franz von Schilling and Miss Birdie Peek. Mrs. Peek lives at Aorn Point, just across Hampton Creek. Lieutenant Peek is an honor graduate of the Virginia Military Institute.

His bride-to-be is a leader in the society circles of New Richmond, Ohio, where she lives.

#### Mrs. McLean Criticized.

The work on Continental Hall in Washington, D. C., which is being built by the Daughters of the American Revolution, says the Norfolk Dispatch, has been considerably delayed; and when the congress of the organization assemblies on Easter Monday, they will find the hall in the same condition as at the last meeting, practically, the only improvement will be in the seats for the hall, for which a special appropriation was made this year.

The delay and apparent inactivity in the building of the hall will probably be made an issue in an active campaign to be conducted next year in favor of Mrs. Fairbanks as the next president-general.

The congress will bring to Washington about a thousand delegates and ternates and the delegates on the floor will number over eight hundred.

#### Dames As Petitioners.

The Colonial Dames in the State of Virginia, a committee of whom went with Mrs. William Ruffin Cox to Washington, and secured President McKinley's consent to the naming of the battleship Virginia, were also the first to petition the General Assembly of Virginia to make an appropriation for the purchase of a silver service to be presented to the battleship.

The names signed to this petition, beginning with that of the President, Mrs. W. R. Cox, are those of Mrs. George W. Mayo, Mrs. James Lyons, Mrs. William Wirt Henry, Mrs. L. R. Dashiell, Miss Mary Bell Perkins, Mrs. George W. Bagby, Mrs. William G. Starnard, Mrs. James H. Dooley, Mrs. James Alston Cabell, Miss Anna B. Boykin, Mrs. Charles Davidson, Mrs. Reginald Gilham, Mrs. W. W. Gordon, Mrs. William L. Royall, Mrs. Ida W. Ellerson, Mrs. William D. Thomas, Mrs. Allison Aldert, C. Bruce, Mrs. Cunningham Hall, Mrs. William T. Robins, Mrs. Charles B. Ball, Mrs. Christopher Tompkins, Mrs. Robert A. Lancaster, Mrs. J. Taylor Elyson, Mrs. O. H. Funsion and Miss Helen Montague.

The bill containing the petition was presented and carried through the House successfully by State Senator J. Laurence Campbell, of Bedford City. When Mrs. Cox and her committee went to Washington to interview President McKinley, as to the naming of the battleship Virginia, they were accompanied by former Governor "Hog" Tyler, and received efficient help from him, from Congressman John Lamb and others.

#### Personal Mention.

Miss Mildred I. Henry, of New York, who has been visiting Mrs. E. M. Henry, in Norfolk, is the guest of Mrs. Henry L. Watson, in this city.

Mrs. G. H. Miller, of Clifton Forge, is the guest of relatives here.

Miss Hazel Faulkner, who has been visiting Miss Maida Wright, in Fredericksburg, has returned to the city.

Miss Georgia Goodloe, who has been the guest of Mrs. W. Bailey Saunders, in Richmond, has returned to her home in Afton, Va.

Miss Mae Levy, of Norfolk, has gone to Warrenton, Va., where she will be maid of honor at the marriage of her sister, Miss Addie Ullman, to Mr. Jack

# Stock-Reducing Sale

We must reduce our stock, and in order to do so, we are going to make this week one of the most notable in the point of giving to the Richmond public goods at "Stock Reducing" prices.

### Cut-Glass Specials.

A Handsome Cut Glass Tumbler, only \$1.00 each. Elegant Cut Glass Jug, 8-inch, only \$2.00. 10-inch Potted Bonbon, rich cutting, only \$5.00. Cut Glass Claret Jug, a beauty, only \$6.00. 10-inch Cut Glass Vase, only \$2.25. 6-inch Handled Olive Dish, only \$1.25. Cut Glass Flower Basket, only \$2.50.

### Dinner Set Specials.

Bavaria Decorated China 100-piece Dinner Set, with tureen, was \$20.00, now \$15.00. English Decorated Porcelain 100-piece Dinner Set, with tureen, was \$15.00, now \$12.00. Decorated Porcelain 100-piece Dinner Set, with tureen, was \$10.00, now \$7.50. These Dinner Sets are well worthy of attention, for they are at sacrifice prices.

### Toilet Set Specials.

10-piece Decorated and Gold Stippled Toilet Set at \$2.25. 12-piece Decorated Toilet Set, with sloop jar, at \$3.00. 12-piece Decorated Toilet Set, with sloop jar, at \$4.00. Don't miss this chance.

### China Specials.

China Tea Cups and Saucers, were \$3.00, now \$1.00 per dozen. China Tea Cups and Saucers, were \$2.50, now \$1.50 per dozen. China Fruit and Oatmeal Saucers at only 10c each. Ice Cream Sets, 12 plates and dish; was \$3.00, now \$1.00 per set. Brant and Butter and Tea Plates, greatly reduced, only 30c each. Pudding Sets, 3 plates, 90c each. Covered Chop Dishes, very handsome, \$1.25 each. Sample China Salad Bowls, 25c kind, at 10c each. Sample China Salad Bowls, 50c kind, at 21c each. Sample China Salad Bowls, \$1.00 kind, at 48c each. Sample China Salad Bowls, \$1.25 kind, at 08c each.

### Porcelain Specials.

Decorated Porcelain Covered Dishes, only 60c. White Porcelain Covered Dishes, only 10c. White Porcelain 8-inch Meat Dish, only 10c. White Porcelain 10-inch Meat Dish, only 15c. White Porcelain 12-inch Meat Dish, only 25c. White Porcelain 14-inch Meat Dish, only 35c.

### Houseturnishing Specials.

Agateware Ham Boller, only 08c. Agateware 2-quart Saucepan, only 15c. Agateware 3-quart Saucepan, only 19c. Agateware 4-quart Saucepan, only 24c. Agateware 6-quart Saucepan, only 29c. Agateware 8-quart Saucepan, only 35c. Agateware 17-quart Dishpan, only 37c. Agateware 14-quart Coffee Pot, only 21c. Agateware 3-quart Coffee Pot, only 20c. Agateware 4-quart Coffee Pot, only 33c.

### Clock Special.

Every mantelpiece should have one of these Handsome Gilt Clocks on it; stands on figure, 26 inches high, only \$2.40.

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Solomonky, which takes place on March 25th.

Lieutenant Benjamin Harrison, who has been the guest of Lieutenant Hazer, has returned to his home in Petersburg.

Miss Pauline Grant, of this city, is a guest at the home of Professor S. W. Somerville, in Fredericksburg.

Mrs. Kate Witkamp, of this city, was recently the guest of Mrs. M. Ellwood, in Williamsburg.

Mr. Gilbert Hunt and Mr. E. D. T. Myers, of this city, are guests at the Afton House, Afton, Va.

Mrs. W. B. Garlick is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mahone, in Williamsburg.

Miss Roberta C. Allen, who has been the guest of friends in the navy yard at Norfolk, has left for her home in Washington, as many Richmond friends will be interested to hear.

The Baltimore Sun of Sunday contained a beautiful picture of Miss Helen de la Lora, of Lynchburg, Va., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ernest de la Lora, in No. 1112 St. Paul Street, Baltimore.

Mrs. Hugh Jones is the guest of Mrs. James Stone in Williamsburg.

Mrs. Douglas Macgregor and family, of Afton, Va., have moved to this city, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Samuel Burnley have gone to their home in Charlottesville, after spending the winter in Richmond, where Mr. Burnley made a fine record in the State Legislature.

Mrs. C. E. Schwabert, of Clifton Forge, is visiting friends here.

Miss Ida Beverley, who has been visiting friends in Richmond, has returned to her home in Essex county.

Miss Lucy Meade is the guest of Miss Urth Greene, in Norfolk.

Mr. Alfred Williams, of King George county, recently accompanied his son to this city, where the boy will undergo medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Johnson, of Christiansburg, who have been spending the winter here have returned home.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot of Sunday says:

The engagement has recently been announced in Newport News of Miss May Clarence Garnett, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Garnett, to Mr. Richard Nelson, formerly of Albemarle county, now of Newport News. The wedding will take place in St. Paul's Church in that city just after Easter.

Mr. William Smith has returned to his home in Fredericksburg, after a visit to friends here.

Mr. Elmore Hundley is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Maggie Hundley, in Williamsburg.

Lady Durand, wife of Sir Mortimer Durand, the British Ambassador, is a charming hostess and a very clever woman. She is an authoress besides, having brought out a book entitled "An Autumn Tour Through Western Persia." The trip through Persia was taken with her husband, then minister to Persia, while making a visit to the old capital, Teheran; Sir Mortimer was the guest of the Zelles Sultan, brother of the Shah.

Mrs. Edward McGuire is the guest of Mrs. Guy Davis in Norfolk.

Mrs. J. H. Balph and children are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Holmes in Williamsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Hilton, of Danville, Va., are in New York city, and Mrs. Hilton will sail to-day by the steamship Majestic for a six months' visit to her home in Ireland.

Mrs. Joseph Bryan, says the Newport News Daily Press, Mrs. J. Stewart Bryan, Mrs. Boyd Stewart and Miss Stewart are guests at Hotel Chamberlin, Old Point.

Mrs. George R. Wood, of Newport News, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joyner in Richmond, has returned home.

Miss Jane Bokals is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Tucker, in Portsmouth, Va.

Miss Lottie Branch and Miss Hattie Ross were registered at Hotel Bon Air, Augusta, Georgia, on Thursday last.

celebrating the eighty-sixth birthday of Mrs. Caroline Presson, of Chesterfield county. Mrs. Presson has five living daughters and two sons; twenty-one grandchildren and thirty-two great-grandchildren. All the daughters were present and about twenty-five other family connections.

The Niemeyer-Shaw Chapter, U. D. C., of Berkeley, Va., will place a kneeling around the Confederate square in Magnolia Cemetery. When this is finished they will raise a fund for a monument to be erected to the soldiers who went out from Norfolk county during the War Between the States.

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Commissioner Koerner's Hand-Book Will Be Ready Soon.

Commissioner Koerner will not be ready for two or three months to describe the new hand-book which has been prepared by him. The work is now in the hands of the printer, and is well under way, but the correction of the proof sheets, the printing and binding will require some time, so that it is safe to say that the first copies of the new publication will not be delivered within two months.

Through an error, it was stated that Captain T. C. Morton had issued the hand-book. The Commissioner has received quite a number of requests for the work, owing to this statement that the book had been issued. Mr. Koerner has had the manuscript in hand for some little time, but both on account of the rush of work in his own office, as well as the crowded condition of every printing office in the State, has not until the past month been able to make any progress with its publication.

SIGNS ALL SAVE ONE.

Governor Has Now Dispersed of Nearly All Legislation.

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